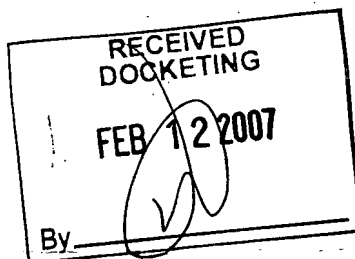


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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/20/2006
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
 - The IA indicates that inventor Sushil Sukumaran NAIR is designated for all states EXCEPT the U.S., while inventor Balachandra Chakkingal SEKHAR, is listed as the inventor the the U.S. Please make sure the declaration lists the correct inventor, or provide an explanation for this discrepancy.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath

or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity:

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ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Missing Requirements, Applicant submits herewith a Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by inventor Balachandra Chakkingal Sekhar. Applicant notes that in the original filing papers for this application, an application data sheet indicated that a Sushil Sukumaran Nair was an inventor in this application. This was in error and was done without deceptive intent. As shown on the cover sheet of the underlying PCT application, for which this application is based, it is clear that the applicants for all designated states, except the United States, are among others Mr. Nair. The cover sheet also shows that the inventor and the applicant for the U.S. only is Mr. Balachandra Chakkingal Sekhar. As the U.S. Patent Office is aware, for most of the world, applicants do not have to be inventors wherein in the United States the applicant is the inventor. In this case, an error was made to include the name of an applicant who was not an inventor in the inventorship. Applicant attaches herewith a Declaration of Sushil Sukumaran Nair noting that he is not an inventor of the present application, but is instead an applicant for

international applications having the same underlying priority document.

Applicant also includes herewith the surcharge for late submission of the Oath and Declaration as required.

No further fee is believed to be necessary. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any unpaid amount, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-0920. Further, if an extension of time is required, the Commissioner is respectfully requested to consider this paper to be a petition for such an extension and the Commissioner is authorized to charge the petition fee to the above noted deposit account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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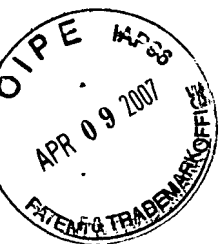
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DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.131Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

DECLARATION OF SUSHIL SUKUMARAN NAIR

I, Sushil Sukumaran Nair, hereby declare that I am not an inventor of the invention that is the subject of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/565,461. My name was included as an inventor in error without deceptive intent, there was also no deceptive intent on my part.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 27/3/07
Sushil Sukumaran Nair